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In re Application of:)
MING-DOU KER et al.) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/626,601) Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: July 25, 2003))
For: MIXED-VOLTAGE CMOS I/O BUFFER WITH THIN OXIDE DEVICE AND DYNAMIC N-WELL BIAS CIRCUIT)))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. To the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits for the above-identified application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they are considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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